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TO: Rene Van Someren

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SUBJECT: Ohio / TDD #F5-8009-2, Eckhardt
St. Bernard, Ohio / Roth Ready Mix Concrete (Previously known
as Cinn-Made)

On September 11, 1980 the field investigation team made an on-site inspection of Roth Ready Mix Concrete, 900 Kieley, St. Bernard, Ohio. Prior to our inspection the State of Ohio had not inspected the site. On the site we found a large pond located at the bottom of a pit into which solid wastes were dumped. The discoloration of the pond in addition to the sheen may be due to disposal of liquid waste at this site. The pit is located behind Roth Ready Mix Concrete, and is accessible to other industries in the area as there is no form of security. Many half buried empty drums were seen in the pond. However, Roth Ready Mix mainly dumps waste concrete into the pit, so much of the visible waste is encased in concrete.

After the field investigation, further information was obtained from Erma Sermbach owner of Cinn-Made Corporation, which borders the pit on the north end. Ms. Sermbach stated that multi-colored liquids sometimes flow from the Alex Gottlieb Container Co., around her building and into the pit. It should be noted that the Alex Gottlieb Container Co. is a drum recycling and restoring Company located across the street from Cinn-Made Corporation. Ms. Sermbach also estimates the present pit to be 2/3 the size of the original pit. Ms. Sermbach has been working at the present location for approximately 25 years. When asked about the old Armor Fertilizer Co. she remembered some dumping which took place, but was not able to remember the nature of the material or the amount.

Due to the unknown nature of the waste types in the pond we recommend that pond samples be taken and that monitoring wells be installed to check the level of contamination of the groundwater. This follow up action of sampling can be performed during a full field investigation. Compliance with RCRA requirements on site closure should be followed by the facility.

Attached is the completed site inspection report, preliminary assessment, site sketch, and photos.

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